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1. AT A MARCH 11 PRESS CONFERENCE, OPPOSITION LEADER BENIGNO AQUINO SAID HE WAS AGAINST DISMANTLING THE "AMERICAN BASES" IN THE PHILIPPINES. HE ADDED THAT HE SUPPORTED PRESIDENT MARCOS' DEMAND THAT PHILIPPINE SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE BASES BE RECOGNIZED AND THAT THE US PAY RENT IF ONLY TO ALLOW THE PHILIPPINES TO PURCHASE THE ARMS AND EQUIPMENT IT NEEDS. IN THIS REGARD, HE NOTED THAT THE PHILIPPINES HAD HERETOFORE ONLY RECEIVED SECOND RATE ARMS FROM THE US, POINTING OUT THAT "FRONT LINE" STATES LIKE SOUTH KOREA AND SOUTH VIETNAM RECEIVED MORE SOPHISTICATED HARDWARE.

2. AQUINO SAID THAT BEFORE ANY MAJOR STEPS ARE TAKEN ON THE BASES, THE GOP SHOULD CONSULT WITH THE ASEAN NATIONS AND WITH JAPAN. IN HIS WORDS, "THERE SHOULD BE COLLECTIVE ACTION ON THE MATTER. THE BASES ARE OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO THE PEOPLES OF THE FAR EAST AND JAPAN." UNCLASSIFIED

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